Statement

Export Target and Achievement of Export Processing Zones during the last Five Years

(Rs. crores)

Zone	1991-92		1992-93		1993-94		1994-95		1995-96	
	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement
KAFTZ	413	427.18	200	167.21	350	270.36	350	320.03	420	325.29
SEEPZ	475	500.17	650	806.24	1000	1107.36	1350	1549.46	1950	1876.29
NEPZ	90	70.84	145	145.23	250	262.62	350	367.00	475	496.89
MEPZ	134	122.47	255	177.13	270	200.20	270	281.38	390	391.91
CEPZ	24	28.58	50	62.25	140	83.81	120	102.53	135	120.31
FEPZ	52	27.90	30	18.25	40	35.56	50	32.31	50	24.04
VEPZ	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	0.40	15	0.89
	1188	1177.14	1330	1376.31	2050	1959.91	2500	2653.11	3435	3235.62

Old Age Pension

3463. DR. MOHAN BABU: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to introduce old age pension as a welfare measure for widows, handicapped, aged farmers of 60 years and above an other old man with no source of income;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) The Govt. of India is already implementing through the Ministry of Rural Areas & Employment a centrally sponsored programme called National Old Age Pension Scheme (NOAPS) for providing old age pension to the aged under the National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP).

(b) The NMBS is a centrally sponsored programme in the area of poverty alleviation both in the Rural and Urban Areas. Under this scheme 100% central assistance is extended to the States/UTs to provide benefit under it in accordance with the norms, guidelines and conditions laid down by the Central Government. The benefit available under this scheme is as per the following criteria:—

(i) The age of the applicant male or female is 65 years and above.

(ii) The applicant is a destitute in the sense of having little or no regular means of subsistance from his/her own sources or through financial support from family Members or the other sources.

(iii) The amount of old age pension is Rs. 75/- p.m. for the purpose of claiming assistance.

Widows, handicapped persons or farmers, below the age of 65 years are not entitled for the benefit under the scheme.

(c) Does not arise.

Rubber Plantations in the North-Eastern Region

3464. SHRI PARAG CHALIHA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Rubber Board has arranged/ordered any survey for rubber plantation in the North East region;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and